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The Full m Index Sets of $P_2 \times P_n$

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Shiu and Kwong (2008) studied the full friendly index set of $P_2 \times P_n$, which only addressed the cases where $m = 0$ or 1 . In this paper, we significantly extend their work by determining the full m index set $M(P_2 \times P_n)$ for all values of m . Our key approach is to utilize graph embedding and recursion methods to deduce $M(P_2 \times P_n)$ for general m . In particular, we embed small graphs like C_4 and K_2 into $P_2 \times P_n$ and apply recursive techniques to prove the main results. This work expands the scope of previous graph labeling studies and provides new insights into determining the full m index set of product graphs. Given the broad range of applications for labeled graphs, this research can potentially impact fields like coding theory, communication network design, and more.

1. Introduction

A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges, or both. Motivated by different settings and conditions, the problems of labeling various types of graphs were raised and studied. We refer the readers to the survey paper, A dynamic survey of graph labelings by Gallian [1], in which the sheer number of research papers regarding different graph labeling methods in graph theory has been reviewed.

Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a simple connected graph with the vertex set $V(G)$ and the edge set $E(G)$. Let f be a function from $V(G)$ to \mathbb{Z}_2 . For each edge v_1v_2 , we assign the label $f'(v_1v_2)$, where $f'(v_1v_2) = f(v_1) + f(v_2)$. For $i \in \mathbb{Z}_2$, a vertex $u \in V(G)$ is called an i vertex if $f(u) = i$. And we let $v_f(i)$ denote the number of i vertices in G under labeling f . The concepts of i edge and $e_{f'}(i)$ can be defined similarly. Chartrand et al. [2] introduced the concept of friendly index set. And a vertex labeling f is said to be friendly if $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \leq 1$.

Definition 1. The friendly index set of G is defined as

$$\text{FI}(G) = \left\{ \left| e_{f'}(1) - e_{f'}(0) \right| : f \text{ is friendly labeling of } G \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Readers can refer to the literature [3, 4] for the friendly index set of graphs if interested. Shiu and Ling [5] extended this concept to the full friendly index set.

Definition 2. The set $\text{FFI}(G) = \{e_{f'}(1) - e_{f'}(0) : f \text{ is friendly labeling of } G\}$ is called the full friendly index set of G .

A friendly labeling of a graph G is also known as a bisection of G , which has been studied widely in the theory of graph partitions [6, 7]. According to the algorithm [8], it is NP-hard to find the maximum or minimum bisection (namely, friendly labeling with maximum or minimum 1

edge) of an arbitrary graph. There were many interesting results focusing on some specific graphs. For example, Sinha and Kaur [9] studied the full friendly index sets of $K_n, C_n, F_n, F_{2,m}$, and $P_3 \times P_n$. Shiu and his coauthors determined the full friendly index sets of cylinder graphs [10], some permutation Petersen graphs [11], slender and flat cylinder graphs [12], and $P_2 \times P_n$ [13]. Gao et al. [14]

deduced $FFI(G)$ of a family of cubic graphs, which are full vertices blow-up of C_m with $K_{1,1,2}$.

In this paper, we generalize the concept of the full friendly index set to the following, which we call the full m index set.

Definition 3. The full m index set of $G, M(G)$ is defined as the set

$$M(G) = \left\{ e_{f'}(1) - e_{f'}(0) : |v_f(1) - v_f(0)| = m, 0 \leq m < |V(G)| \right\}. \tag{2}$$

According to the above definition, when $m = 0$ or $m = 1$, the full m index set of a graph is its full friendly index set.

Lemma 4. Let $a_m(G) = \{e_{f'}(1) : v_f(1) - v_f(0) = m, 0 \leq m < |V(G)|\}$. Then, the full m index set of G is defined as

$$M(G) = \{2i - |E(G)| : i \in a_m(G)\}. \tag{3}$$

Proof. Note that the conditions $v_f(1) - v_f(0) = m$ and $v_f(0) - v_f(1) = m$ are symmetric, we find that $e_{f'}(1)$ is equal under both conditions. Then, $e_{f'}(1) - e_{f'}(0) = 2e_{f'}(1) - |E(G)|$. Then, we have $M(G) = \{2e_{f'}(1) - |E(G)| : v_f(1) - v_f(0) = m, 0 \leq m < |V(G)|\}$. According to the definition of $a_m(G)$, we know that $M(G) = \{2i - |E(G)| : i \in a_m(G)\}$. \square

Thus, we only need to compute the value of $e_{f'}(1)$.

2. Preliminaries

We now discuss the full m index set of $P_2 \times P_k$ for some specific values of k . We name the vertices on the two paths as u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k , and Figure 1 represent the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$. We shall call the square $u_i v_i v_{i+1} u_{i+1}$ the i th square, the edge $u_i v_i$ the i th vertical edge.

We omit the subscripts in $v_f(i)$ and $e_{f'}(i)$ for simplicity without causing confusion. In the remaining of the paper, if not specifically stated, only the vertices labeled 1 are listed and those not listed are labeled 0. For $v(1) - v(0) = m$, we denote $e(i)$ as $e_m(i)$.

Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_k$. Let f be any vertex labeling such that $v(1) - v(0) = m$, since $v(1) + v(0) = 2k$. Thus, we know $v(1) = k + m/2$. Note that $v(1)$ is a positive integer, which implies that m is an even integer.

First, we give some examples of $P_2 \times P_k$ in order to prove the following theorem.

Example 1. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 2$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq n, f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n + 1, e_2(1) = 3$
- (2) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i, j \leq n, f(v_{2n}) = 1, e_2(1) = 4$

- (3) For $f(u_1) = f(u_3) = \dots = f(u_{2n-1}) = f(u_{2n}) = 1, f(v_2) = f(v_4) = \dots = f(v_{2n}) = 1, e_2(1) = 6n - 4$

- (4) For $f(u_1) = f(u_3) = \dots = f(u_{2n-3}) = f(u_{2n}) = 1, f(v_2) = f(v_4) = \dots = f(v_{2n-2}) = f(v_{2n-1}) = f(v_{2n}) = 1$

For Example 1, we only give the specific notation of (4).

The labeled graph of Example 1 (4) is shown in the following, where the solid points represent vertices labeled 1, the hollow points represent vertices labeled 0, the thick line represents 1 edge, and the thin line represents 0 edge.

Thus, from Figure 1, it is clearly to see that $e_2(1) = 6n - 6$.

Example 2. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 4$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i, j \leq n + 1, e_4(1) = 2$
- (2) For $f(u_1) = f(u_3) = \dots = f(u_{2n-1}) = f(u_{2n}) = 1, f(v_1) = f(v_2) = f(v_4) = \dots = f(v_{2n}) = 1, e_4(1) = 6n - 6$

Example 3. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 6$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = 1, i \in [n - 1, 2n], f(v_j) = 1, j \in [n - 1, 2n - 1], e_6(1) = 4$

Example 4. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 2$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n, e_{4n-2}(1) = 2$
- (2) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2n, 3 \leq j \leq 2n; f(v_1) = 1, e_{4n-2}(1) = 3$

Example 5. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 4$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2n - 1, e_{4n-4}(1) = 2$
- (2) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 3 \leq i \leq 2n, 1 \leq j \leq 2n, e_{4n-4}(1) = 3$

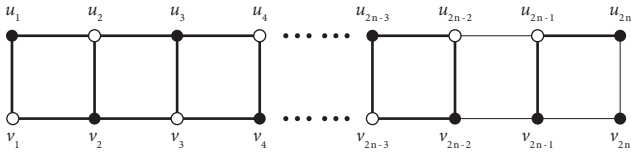


FIGURE 1: The labeled graph $P_2 \times P_{2n}$.

- (3) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 3 \leq i, j \leq 2n; f(u_1) = f(v_1) = 1, e_{4n-4}(1) = 4$
- (4) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 4 \leq i \leq 2n, 1 \leq j \leq 2n; f(u_2) = 1, e_{4n-4}(1) = 5$
- (5) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 4 \leq i \leq 2n, 3 \leq j \leq 2n; f(u_1) = f(u_2) = f(v_1) = 1, e_{4n-4}(1) = 6$

Example 6. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 4n$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2n, 1 \leq j \leq 2n + 1, e_{4n}(1) = 2$
- (2) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 1; f(v_{2n+1}) = 1, e_{4n}(1) = 3$

Example 7. Consider the graph $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, where $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 2$.

- (1) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 1 \leq i, j \leq 2n, e_{4n-2}(1) = 2$
- (2) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 3 \leq i \leq 2n + 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n + 1, e_{4n-2}(1) = 3$
- (3) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 3 \leq i, j \leq 2n + 1; f(u_1) = f(v_1) = 1, e_{4n-2}(1) = 4$
- (4) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 4 \leq i \leq 2n + 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n + 1; f(u_2) = 1, e_{4n-2}(1) = 5$
- (5) For $f(u_i) = f(v_j) = 1, 4 \leq i \leq 2n + 1, 3 \leq j \leq 2n + 1; f(u_1) = f(u_2) = f(v_1) = 1, e_{4n-2}(1) = 6$

Next, we introduce some relevant definitions.

Definition 5. Let a be an integer, if $e(1) = a$ under the vertex labeling f of the graph G , we denote the labeled graph as $G(a)$. For convenience, we use $\begin{pmatrix} f(u) \\ f(v) \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} f(u_i) & f(u_{i+1}) \\ f(v_i) & f(v_{i+1}) \end{pmatrix}$ to denote the labeled subgraphs $K_2 = uv$ and $C_4 = u_i v_i v_{i+1} u_{i+1} u_i$, respectively. Define $u_i v_i v_{i+1} u_{i+1} u_i$ as a C_4 square of $P_2 \times P_n$, where $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$.

Definition 6. [K_2 -embedding]. Given the labeled graph $G(a)$ of $P_2 \times P_n$, we can replace the two edges $u_i u_{i+1}$ and $v_i v_{i+1}$ with paths $u_i x u_{i+1}$ and $v_i y v_{i+1}$ of length 2 and joint x and y . This process is called a K_2 -embedding, which results in a new labeled graph $G(b) = G(a) \otimes K_2$.

Definition 7. [C_4 -embedding]. Given the labeled graph $G(a)$ of $P_2 \times P_n$, we can replace the two edges $u_i u_{i+1}$ and $v_i v_{i+1}$ with paths $u_i x y u_{i+1}$ and $v_i x' y' v_{i+1}$ of length 3 and

joining x, x' and y, y' . This process is called a C_4 -embedding, which results in a new labeled graph $G(b) = G(a) \oplus C_4$.

In the following discussion, all K_2 -embeddings or C_4 -embeddings on $P_2 \times P_n$ are embeddings for edges $u_i u_{i+1}$ and $v_i v_{i+1}$ of $P_2 \times P_n$, where $i \in \{1, \dots, n - 1\}$.

For the convenience of description, some substructures are given below.

Let A_i denote a labeled C_4 -square, where $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. And let $e'(1)$ represent the number of 1 edge changes after the square is embedded. Write the different labels of C_4 as $B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, B_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and $B_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

We make a B_j -embedding in A_i , denoted by $A_i \oplus B_j$, where $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. $e'(A_i \oplus B_j)$ represents the number of 1 edge changes after embedding.

Thus, $e'(A_i \oplus B_j)$ obtained after embedding is shown in Table 1.

From the results of Table 1, the Lemmas 8 and 9 are obtained.

Lemma 8. Given $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, there must exist some value $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $e'(A_i \oplus B_j) = 3$.

Lemma 9. Given $i \in \{2, 4, 5\}$, there must exist some value $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ such that $e'(A_i \oplus B_j) = 1$.

Lemma 10. Let M be the maximum value in $a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$, then we have

$$M \leq \min \left\{ 3k - 2, 3k - \frac{3m}{2} \right\}. \tag{4}$$

Proof. Let f be any vertex labeling of $P_2 \times P_k$ such that $v(1) - v(0) = m$. From $v(1) - v(0) = m, v(1) + v(0) = 2k$, we obtain $v(0) = k - m/2$. Additionally, the maximum degree of the vertex of $P_2 \times P_k$ is 3 and $e(P_2 \times P_k) = 3k - 2$, so $M \leq \min\{3k - 2, 3k - 3m/2\}$. \square

Lemma 11. When $i \geq 4$ and $(k \leq m + 2)/2$, we have $i \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$.

Proof. Let f be any vertex labeling of $P_2 \times P_k$ such that $v(1) - v(0) = m$. Then, $v(1) + v(0) = 2k$ and $v(1) \geq 1, v(0) \geq 1$, which implies that $v(0) = (2k - m)/2 \geq 1$. Then, $(k \geq m + 2)/2$. Thus, we can know $(k < m + 2)/2$ does not hold. When $k = (m + 2)/2, v(0) = 1$ is the only possibility, note that a 0 vertex can lead to the number of 1 edge at most 3, and $i \geq 4$, so $i \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$. \square

Given Lemma 11, we shall always assume in the following discussion that $m < 4n - 2$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, when $i \geq 4$ is an integer.

TABLE 1: $e'(A_i \oplus B_j)$ after embedding.

	B_1	B_2	B_3	B_4
A_1	3	3	3	3
A_2	3	3	3	1
A_3	5	5	3	3
A_4	3	1	3	3
A_5	1	3	1	3

Lemmas 12 and 14 are some of the early results of Shiu and Kwong [13] on the cartesian product $P_2 \times P_n$.

Lemma 12 (see [13]). *Let f be a labeling of a graph G that contains a subgraph cycle C . If C contains at least a 1 edge, then the number of 1 edges in C must be a positive even number.*

Corollary 13. *For $k > 1$, there exists no labeling f of $P_2 \times P_k$ such that $0, 1, 3k - 3 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$.*

Proof. Let f be any vertex labeling of $P_2 \times P_k$ such that $v(1) - v(0) = m$. Since $m < |V(G)|$, $0 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$. From Lemma 12, it is easy to get $1, 3k - 3 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_k)$. The corollary follows immediately. \square

Lemma 14 (see [13]). *We have*

$$a_0(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \left\{ i: i \in \frac{[2, 6n - 2]}{\{3, 6n - 3\}} \right\}, \quad (5)$$

$$a_0(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \left\{ i: i \in \frac{[3, 6n + 1]}{\{6n\}} \right\}.$$

3. The Full m Index Sets of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$

In this section, we give the full m index set of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ by the embedding method and recursive method.

Theorem 15. *In $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, $m \geq 4$, $3 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ holds only when $m = 4n - 4$, and in all other cases, $3 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.*

Proof. Suppose there exists a labeling of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ with $3 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$, when $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and $m \geq 4$. In accordance with Lemma 12, the three 1 edges must occur in two adjacent squares, say the i th and the $(i + 1)$ th squares, and at least one of the three 1 edges is vertical. All possibilities can be divided into the following three cases:

Case 1. There is only one vertical 1 edge, which must be $u_i v_i$. If $u_{i-1} u_i$ and $u_i u_{i+1}$ are the other 1 edges, then $f(u_i) = 0$ and all other vertices are labeled 1. At this point, $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 2$ contradicts $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. If $u_i u_{i+1}$ and $v_{i-1} v_i$ are the other 1 edges, then $f(u_x) = 1$ for $i + 1 \leq x \leq 2n$ and $f(v_y) = 1$ for $i \leq y \leq 2n$. At this point, $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 4i + 2$ contradicts $m \equiv 0$

$\pmod{4}$. Neither of the subcases can exist. The other two cases are similar.

Case 2. There are two vertical 1 edges, both of which belong to the $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$ or $u_{2n-1} v_{2n-1} v_{2n} u_{2n}$ square. Due to symmetry, we may assume the vertical 1 edge is $u_1 v_1$ and $u_2 v_2$ and the other 1 edge is $u_2 u_3$, and then u_1 and u_2 are labeled 0 and all other vertices are labeled 1. At this point, $m = 4n - 4$ holds. The other two cases are similar.

Case 3. All three vertical edges are 1 edges. This situation does not exist because $m \geq 4$.

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 16. *In $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, $2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ holds only when $m = 4n - 2$, and in all other cases, $2 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.*

Proof. Suppose there exists a labeling of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ with $2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n})$, when $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. In accordance to Lemma 12, the two 1 edges must occur in a square of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$.

Case 1. The two 1 edges are in a square $u_i v_i v_{i+1} u_{i+1}$. In this case, there must be $f'(u_i u_{i+1}) = f'(v_i v_{i+1}) = 1$. Then, there must be $f(u_x) = f(v_y) = 1$, for $i + 1 \leq x, y \leq 2n$. At this point, $m = 4(n - i)$ contradicts $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Case 2. Both 1 edges are either in square $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$ or $u_{2n-1} v_{2n-1} v_{2n} u_{2n}$. We assume that the two 1 edge are in square $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$. Then, there must be $f'(u_1 u_2) = f'(u_1 v_1) = 1$ or $f'(u_1 v_1) = f'(v_1 v_2) = 1$. In either of the two cases, we have $m = (4n - 1) - 1 = 4n - 2$. The other case is similar.

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 17. *For $n > 1$, $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 4]\}$.*

Proof. From Lemma 14, we know $a_0(P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 8] / \{3, 6n - 9\}\}$. Under any friendly label of $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}$, there exists at least one square belonging type A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 or A_5 , in which B_j can be embedded, where $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. That is, three of the embedded vertices are labeled 1 and one is labeled 0. Thus, we observe that $v(1) - v(0) = 2$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ after making a C_4 -embedding in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}$. By Lemma 8, we have $\{5, 7, 8, \dots, 6n - 8, 6n - 7, 6n - 5\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.

Under some friendly label of $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}$, when the number of 1 edge is 2 or 5, there exist at least one of the squares $A_2, A_4,$ and $A_5,$ where B_j can be embedded. $\{3, 6\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is obtained from Lemma 9. It follows from Corollary 13 that $0, 1, 6n - 3 \notin a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Since $n > 1,$ we find $2 \notin a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ by Theorem 16. From Lemma 10, we know the maximum value of $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is $6n - 3$. Combined with (2), (3), and (4) in Example 1, we conclude that $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 4]\}$. \square

Theorem 18. For $n > 2,$ $a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 6]/\{3\}\}$.

Proof. From Theorem 17, we know $\{i: i \in [3, 6n - 10]\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)})$. Under any label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = 2$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ there is at least one of the squares in which $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5,$ and B_j can be embedded, where $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. That is, 3 of the embedded 4 vertices are labeled with 1 and 1 with 0. Thus, $v(1) - v(0) = 4$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n};$ by Lemma 8, we have $\{6, 7, 8, \dots, 6n - 8, 6n - 7\} \subseteq a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.

Under a label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = 2$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ when the number of 1 edge is 3 or 4, there must be a square $A_2, A_4,$ and $A_5,$ where B_j can be embedded. $\{4, 5\} \subseteq a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is obtained from Lemma 9. Since $n > 2,$ we find $3 \notin a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ by Theorem 15. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. According to Lemma 10, we have $M \leq \min\{6n - 2, 6n - 6\}$. Combined with (1) and (2) in Example 2, we conclude that $a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 6]/\{3\}\}$. \square

Theorem 19. For $n > 2,$ $a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 9]\}$.

Proof. From Theorem 18, we know $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 12]/\{3\}\} \subseteq a_4(P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)})$. Under any label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = 4$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ there is at least one of the squares $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5,$ and B_j can be embedded, where $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. That is, 3 out of the embedded 4 vertices are labeled with 1 and the other vertex is labeled with 0. By Lemma 8, we have $\{5, 7, 8, \dots, 6n - 10, 6n - 9\} \subseteq a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.

Under a label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = 4$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ when the number of 1 edge is 2 or 5, there must be a square in $A_2, A_4,$ and $A_5,$ embedded in $B_j.$ $\{3, 6\} \subseteq a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is obtained from Lemma 9. Since $n > 2,$ we find $2 \notin a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ by Theorem 16. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. According to Lemma 10, we have $M \leq \min\{6n - 2, 6n - 9\}$. Combined with (7) in Example 3, we conclude that $a_6(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 9]\}$. \square

Theorem 20. For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 8,$ we have

$$a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \left\{ i: i \in \frac{[2, 6n - 3m/2]}{\{3\}} \right\}. \quad (6)$$

For $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 6 \leq m \leq 4n - 6,$ we have

$$a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \left\{ i: i \in \left[3, 6n - \frac{3m}{2} \right] \right\}. \quad (7)$$

Proof

Case 1. $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 8.$

We will prove by induction. By Theorem 18, we have $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 6]/\{3\}\} \subseteq a_4(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Suppose $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3k/2]/\{3\}\} \subseteq a_k(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ for $k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq k \leq 4n - 8$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n},$ then $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3k/2 - 6]/\{3\}\} \subseteq a_k(P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)})$. Under any label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = k$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ there is at least one of the squares $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5,$ and B_j can be embedded in this square, where $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. That is, 3 out of the 4 vertices of the embedding are labeled 1 and the other vertex is labeled 0. Thus, we observe that $v(1) - v(0) = k + 2$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ after the square is embedded. By Lemma 8, we have $\{5, 7, 8, 9, 11, \dots, 6n - 3k/2 - 4, 6n - 3k/2 - 3\} \subseteq a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Under a label that satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = k$ in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)},$ when the number of 1 edge is 2 or 5, there must be a square $A_2, A_4, A_5,$ and B_j can be embedded. $\{3, 6\} \subseteq a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is obtained from Lemma 9. For $i + 1 \leq x \leq 2n,$ let $f(u_x) = 1,$ and for $i + 1 \leq y \leq 2n - 1,$ let $f(v_y) = 1$. This implies that $v(1) - v(0) = 4(n - i - 1) + 2 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Thus, we know that $4 \in a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ holds. Since $m < 4n - 2,$ we find $2 \notin a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ by Theorem 16. By Corollary 13, we have $0, 1 \notin a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. By Lemma 10, we find the maximum value of $a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is $6n - 3k/2 - 3$. Therefore, we have $\{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3k/2 - 3]\} \subseteq a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.

In $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}, \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3k/2 - 9]\} \subseteq a_{k+2}(P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)})$. Under any labeling in $P_2 \times P_{2(n-1)}$ which satisfies $v(1) - v(0) = k + 2,$ there exists at least one of the squares $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4,$ and A_5 in which B_j can be embedded, where $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. That is, 3 out of the 4 vertices of the embedding are labeled 1 and the other vertex is labeled 0. Thus, by Lemma 8, $\{6, 7, 8, 9, \dots, 6n - 3k/2 - 6\} \subseteq a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ holds when $v(1) - v(0) = k + 4$ in $P_2 \times P_{2n}.$ Under any labeling in $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ satisfying $v(1) - v(0) = k + 2$ and when the number of its 1 edges is 3 or 4, there must exist a square similar as $A_2, A_4, A_5,$ and B_j can be embedded. By Lemma 9, we have $\{4, 5\} \subseteq a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. In $P_2 \times P_{2n},$ for $1 \leq x \leq i,$ let $f(u_x) = 1,$ and for $1 \leq y \leq i,$ let $f(v_y) = 1.$ Clearly, $v(1) - v(0) = 4(n - i) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Thus, we know that $2 \in a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ holds. Since $m < 4n - 4,$ we find $3 \notin a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ by Theorem 15. By Corollary 13, we observe that $0, 1 \notin a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. According to Lemma 10, the maximum value of $a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$ is $6n - 3k/2 - 6$. Therefore, we have $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3k/2 - 6]/\{3\}\} \subseteq a_{k+4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$.

To conclude, when $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 8,$ we have

$$a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \left\{ i: i \in \frac{[2, 6n - 3m/2]}{\{3\}} \right\}. \quad (8)$$

Case 2. $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}.$

Similarly, we can obtain $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2]\}$ at $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 6 \leq m \leq 4n - 6$.

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 21. For $n > 1$, $a_{4n-4}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$.

Proof. According to Lemma 10, we have $M(P_2 \times P_{2n}) \leq 6n - 3(4n - 4)/2 = 6$. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_{4n-4}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Combined with Example 5, we know $a_{4n-4}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$. \square

Theorem 22. $a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3\}$

Proof. According to Lemma 10, we have $M(P_2 \times P_{2n}) \leq 6n - 3(4n - 2)/2 = 3$. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Combined with Example 4, we know $a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3\}$. \square

Therefore, according to Lemma 14 and Theorems 15–17 and 20–22, we get the full m index set of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ as follows:

- (1) $a_0(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 2]/\{3, 6n - 3\}\}$
- (2) For $n = 1$, $a_2(P_2 \times P_2) = \{2\}$
- (3) For $n > 1$, $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 4]\}$
- (4) For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 8$, $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3m/2]/\{3\}\}$
- (5) For $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 6 \leq m \leq 4n - 6$, $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2]\}$
- (6) For $n > 1$, $a_{4n-4}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$
- (7) $a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n}) = \{2, 3\}$ \square

4. The Full m Index Sets of $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$

In a similar way, we embed the labeled graph K_2 in $P_2 \times P_{2n}$ to obtain the full m index set of $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$.

Lemma 23. For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 0 \leq m \leq 4n - 4$, we have $4 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

Proof. Suppose that $m = 4k$. In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, let $f(u_i) = f(v_i) = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq k + n$, $f(u_{2n+1}) = 1$, then $e(1) = 4$. Therefore, we have $4 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. \square

Lemma 24. For $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 2 \leq m \leq 4n - 6$, we have $2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

Proof. Suppose that $m = 4k + 2$. In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, let $f(u_i) = f(v_i) = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq k + n + 1$, then $e(1) = 2$. Therefore, we have $2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. \square

Lemma 25. For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 4$, we have $\{6n - 3m/2 + 2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

Proof. For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, 4 \leq m \leq 4n - 4$, suppose that $m = 4k$. In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, let $f(u_i) = 1$ when $i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, 2n - 2k + 1, 2n - 2k + 2, 2n - 2k + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$; $f(v_j) = 1$ when $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2k, 2n - 2k + 2, 2n - 2k + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$. Then, $e(1) = 6n - 3m/2 + 2$. Similarly, let $f(u_i) = 1$ when

$i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, 2n - 2k + 1, 2n - 2k + 3, 2n - 2k + 4, \dots, 2n + 1$; $f(v_j) = 1$ when $j = 1, 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2k, 2n - 2k + 2, 2n - 2k + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$. Then, $e(1) = 6n - 3m/2 + 3$. Therefore, we have $\{6n - 3m/2 + 2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

For $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 6 \leq m \leq 4n - 6$.

In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, let $f(u_i) = 1$ when $i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, 2n - m/2, 2n - m/2 + 2, 2n - m/2 + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$; $f(v_j) = 1$ when $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - m/2 + 1, 2n - m/2 + 2, 2n - m/2 + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$. Then, $e(1) = 6n - 3m/2 + 2$. Let $f(u_i) = 1$ when $i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, 2n - m/2, 2n - m/2 + 2, 2n - m/2 + 3, \dots, 2n + 1$; $f(v_j) = 1$ when $j = 1, 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - m/2 + 1, 2n - m/2 + 3, 2n - m/2 + 4, \dots, 2n + 1$. Then, $e(1) = 6n - 3m/2 + 3$. Thus, $\{6n - 3m/2 + 2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. \square

Lemma 26. Given $i \in \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$, there must exist $K_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ such that $e'(A_i \oplus K_2) = 1$.

Proof. Let $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, we make a K_2 -embedding in A_i , where $i \in \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$. Then, $e'(1) = 1$. Therefore, we have $e'(A_i \oplus K_2) = 1$. \square

In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$, there exist a vertex labeling f such that $v(1) - v(0) = m$. From $v(1) + v(0) = 4n + 2, v(1) \geq 1, v(0) \geq 1$, we get $m \leq 4n$. Thus, we shall always assume that $m \leq 4n$ in the following discussion. \square

Theorem 27. In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}, m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, m > 0, 2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$ holds only when $m = 4n$, and in all other cases, $2 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

Proof. Suppose there exists a labeling of $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$ with $2 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$, when $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. In accordance to Lemma 12, the two 1 edges must occur in a square of $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$.

Case 1. Both 1 edges are in a square $u_i v_i v_{i+1} u_{i+1}$. In this case, there must be $f'(u_i u_{i+1}) = f'(v_i v_{i+1}) = 1$. Then, there must be $f(u_x) = f(v_y) = 1$, for $i + 1 \leq x, y \leq 2n + 1$. At this point, $m = 4(n - i) + 2$ contradicts $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Case 2. Both 1 edges are either in square $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$ or $u_{2n} v_{2n} v_{2n+1} u_{2n+1}$. We assume that both 1 edges are in square $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$. Then, there must be $f'(u_1 u_2) = f'(u_1 v_1) = 1$ or $f'(u_1 v_1) = f'(v_1 v_2) = 1$. In either of the two cases, we have $m = (4n + 1) - 1 = 4n$. The other case is similar.

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 28. In $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}, m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, 3 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$ holds only when $m = 4n - 2$, and in all other cases, $3 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

Proof. Suppose there exists a labeling of $P_2 \times P_{2n+1}$ with $3 \in a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$, when $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. In accordance with Lemma 12, the three 1 edges must occur in two adjacent

squares, say the i th and the $(i + 1)$ th squares, and at least one of the three 1 edges is vertical. All possibilities can be divided into the following three cases.

Case 1. There is only one vertical 1 edge, which must be $u_i v_i$. If $u_{i-1} u_i$ and $u_i u_{i+1}$ are the other 1 edges, then $f(u_i) = 0$ and all other vertices are labeled 1. At this point, $v(1) - v(0) = (4n + 1) - 1 = 4n$ contradicts $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. If $u_i u_{i+1}$ and $v_{i-1} v_i$ are the other 1 edges, then $f(u_x) = 1$ for $i + 1 \leq x \leq 2n + 1$ and $f(v_y) = 1$ for $i \leq y \leq 2n + 1$. At this point, $v(1) - v(0) = 4n - 4i + 4 = 4(n - i + 1)$ contradicts $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Neither of the subcases can exist. The other two cases are similar.

Case 2. There are two vertical 1 edges, both of which belong to the $u_1 v_1 v_2 u_2$ or $u_{2n} v_{2n} v_{2n+1} u_{2n+1}$ square. Due to symmetry, we may assume the vertical 1 edge are $u_1 v_1$ and $u_2 v_2$, and the other 1 edge is $u_2 u_3$, and then u_1 and u_2 are labeled 0 and all other vertices labeled 1. At this point, $m = 4n - 2$ holds. The other two cases are similar.

Case 3. All three vertical edges are 1 edge. This situation does not exist because $m \geq 2$.

This completes the proof. \square

Theorem 29. *The followings hold true:*

- (1) For $n > 1$, we have $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 1] / \{3\}\}$
- (2) For $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, $4 \leq m \leq 4n - 4$, $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2 + 3]\}$
- (3) For $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, $6 \leq m \leq 4n - 6$, $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3] / \{3\}\}$
- (4) $a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = [2, 6]$
- (5) $a_{4n}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = [2, 3]$

Proof

For (1), according to Theorem 17, we know $\{i: i \in [3, 6n - 4]\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Under any friendly label of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, there exist at least one square belonging type A_2, A_3, A_4 , or A_5 , in which K_2 can be embedded. That is, one of the embedded vertices is labeled 1 and other one is labeled 0. Thus, we note that $v(1) - v(0) = 2$ does not change after K_2 is embedded. From Lemma 26, we know $[4, 6n - 3] \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. By Lemma 24, we find $2 \in a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Suppose that $f(u_1) = f(u_3) = \dots = f(u_{2n-1}) = f(u_{2n}) = f(u_{2n+1}) = 1$, $f(v_2) = f(v_4) = \dots = f(v_{2n}) = 1$, then we have $e_2(1) = 6n - 2$. Let $f(u_1) = f(u_3) = \dots = f(u_{2n-1}) = f(u_{2n+1}) = 1$, $f(v_2) = f(v_4) = \dots = f(v_{2n}) = f(v_{2n+1}) = 1$, then we have $e_2(1) = 6n - 1$. From Corollary 13, we find $0, 1, 6n \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Since $m < 4n - 2$, we find $3 \notin a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$ by Theorem 28. Using Lemma 10, we know $M \leq \min\{6n + 1, 6n\}$. Thus, we conclude that $a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3] / \{3\}\}$.

For (2), from Theorem 20, we have $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3m/2] / \{3\}\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Under any friendly label of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, there exist at least one square belonging type A_2, A_3, A_4 , or A_5 , in which K_2 can be embedded. That is, one of the embedded vertices is labeled 1 and other one is labeled 0. Thus, by Lemma 26, we get $\{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2 + 1] / \{4\}\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. It follows from Lemmas 23 and 25 that $\{4, 6n - 3m/2 + 2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Since $m < 4n$, we find $2 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$ by Theorem 27. In accordance with Lemma 10, we find $M \leq \min\{6n + 1, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\}$. Thus, we conclude that $a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = \{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2 + 3]\}$.

For (3), from Theorem 20, we have $\{i: i \in [3, 6n - 3m/2]\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n})$. Under any friendly label of $P_2 \times P_{2n}$, there exists at least one square belonging type A_2, A_3, A_4 , or A_5 , in which K_2 can be embedded. That is, one of the embedded vertices is labeled 1 and other one is labeled 0. From Lemma 26, we get $\{i: i \in [4, 6n - 3m/2 + 1]\} \subseteq a_2(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. It follows from Lemmas 23 and 25 that $\{2, 6n - 3m/2 + 2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Since $m < 4n - 2$, we find $3 \notin a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$ by Theorem 28. Thus, combined with Lemma 10, we conclude that $\{i: i \in [2, 6n - 3m/2 + 3] / \{3\}\} \subseteq a_m(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$.

For (4), according to Lemma 10, we have $M(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) \leq \min\{6n + 1, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \leq 6n - 3(4n - 2)/2 + 3 = 6$. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Combined with Example 7, we know $a_{4n-2}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = [2, 6]$.

For (5), according to Lemma 10, we have $M(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) \leq \min\{6n + 1, 6n - 3m/2 + 3\} \leq 6n - 3(4n)/2 + 3 = 3$. Corollary 13 implies that $0, 1 \notin a_{4n}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1})$. Combined with Example 6, we know $a_{4n}(P_2 \times P_{2n+1}) = [2, 3]$. \square

This completes the proof.

5. Conclusions

In this paper, we obtained the full m index set of $P_2 \times P_n$ by embedding and recursion methods. We can also use this method to consider the full m index set of other graphs.

The characterization of full m index sets for various graph families lays the mathematical groundwork for a wide range of applications involving labeled graphs. Labeled graphs have been applied across diverse fields including coding theory, circuit layout, network design, and more. By expanding theoretical knowledge on balanced labelings and index sets of key graph classes like $P_2 \times P_n$, this work provides fundamental insights that can inform labeled graph models in any application domain. Though the specific results focus on index sets, the techniques like embedding and recursion have broad implications for constructing balanced graph partitions. Overall, this research on graph labelings and index sets furthers a mathematical foundation that enables diverse real-world applications. The methods and labeled graph constructions can be extended to other

graph families, complementing existing literature and providing a springboard for future studies. By elucidating balanced labelings of modular graph units, the work broadly enhances our ability to design and analyze application-oriented labeled graph models.

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